From the Desk of the Honorary Secretary General

Dear Members,

You are aware that your Institute is shortly completing a **Glorious Journey of 50 years** of its service to the welding fraternity in India and also the world at large. To mark this occasion, the **Golden Jubilee Celebration** will be held **on 22nd April, 2016** at hotel **The Stadel, Kolkata**. It will be a proud privilege for us to welcome you all on this momentous occasion.

Right from its inception with a modest 42 members on 22nd April, 1966, the Institute started its journey to reach its destination towards its mission to be the Premier Institution in India related to welding. During this journey, our founder members including those who were associated had worked hard to strengthen the foundation of this Institute. During our journey, several developmental programmes have been taken up to fulfill the aspirations of our dreams. It is needless to elaborate the success stories of the Institute including the present status since it is already known to you. We are putting our maximum thrust to those areas where our commitments need to be completed forthwith.

To commemorate the **Golden Jubilee Celebration**, your Institute has decided to organize various programmes throughout the year. The details have already been highlighted through the Programme Brochure already sent to you.

You will be pleased to know that we will be felicitating all our Past Presidents, Vice Presidents, Hony Secretaries during Celebration Programme on 22nd April. We will also honour fifteen eminent persons of the Institute with **IIW-India Golden Jubilee Ratna Award**. Amongst the important programmes of the year, we will be organizing the **6th Welding Research & Collaboration Colloquium** of the **International Institute of Welding** first time in Asia **from 7th to 9th April 2016 in the City of Hyderabad**.

The National Welding Meet -2016 will be organized in Pune on 27th August, 2016.

The Golden Jubilee celebration will be concluded in December at Science City, Kolkata with a three day National Welding Seminar with a concurrent WELD-INDIA 2016 (11th International Welding Technology Exhibition) event at Milan Mela, Kolkata.

I once again request all of you to attend the above programmes and extend your fullest co-operation to make these events a grand success.

Regards

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